

Eastern Star Holds Yule Party

Torrance Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, entertained with a Christmas party Thursday evening in the chapter room. Two Christmas trees decorated the east and the west, one ornamented with lights and the other decorated with dainty red bows. The meeting was opened with Worthy Matron Phyllis Peverley and Worthy Patron Earl Wells presiding. Joe Parsons, worthy matron of Lomita chapter, was escorted to the east as were many past matrons and patrons of Torrance chapter. Earl Clark filled the office of sentinel in the absence of Frank Thompson.

Christmas carols closed the meeting, after which the group went to the banquet hall, which was beautifully decorated with red berries down the center of the table and places marked with red berries arranged in the center of the long table and places marked with red, green and white miniature Christmas trees on candles. Gifts were exchanged from a large Christmas tree. Refreshments prepared by Florence Viellenave, chairman, and her committee Edna Babcock, Ada Drake, Alice Ruppel, and Vincent Viellenave, were served. The next meeting of the chapter will be on Jan. 6.

Fuchsia Society Has Party

Lomita Fuchsia Society held its Christmas party Thursday, Dec. 16 at the VFW Hall in Lomita. Tables were decorated with pine cones, fir boughs, golden ornaments and Christmas candles. C. O. Eipper presided at the wassail bowl. Delicious refreshments were served, after which games and a gift exchange were held. The society delivered a toy box to the Optimist club, to be given to needy children and also presented a check to be used for purchasing toys for other needy children. English holly and orchids were sold during the plant sale. Those attending were: Commander and Mrs. David E. Fay, Messrs. and Mmes. Marcial Monge, C. O. Eipper, John Slaughter, Robert Riggles, Albert Kanasto, Mmes. Bruce Bain, Victor Bittner and Mr. Jack McKinney. The society board held its Christmas party on Dec. 14 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Slaughter, 2345 237th St., Torrance.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Harvel Guttenfelder, of 1457 Post Ave., entertained their regular card club at their Christmas party Saturday. Those enjoying the potluck dinner and Christmas festivities were Messrs. and Mmes. Frank Paour, Benjamin Roberts, and Sydney Hopkins.

WHITE SHRINE

The Messiah White Shrine held their annual Christmas ceremonial Monday evening in the Masonic Temple, Redondo Beach. Eight candidates were initiated.



Once Over Lightly
by Dorothy Downing

By Dale Wagner, PNS Feature Writer
(A guest column is substituted for that of Dorothy Downing, regular PNS contributing fashion columnist, who was caught at deadline time about 18,000 feet up in the wild blue, and not a Western Union office for miles.)

Since the descent of Christian Dior upon the United States—like a large square stone plunging into the placid pool of female fashionery, resulting in a tide which threatens to engulf even the most reluctant—it seems that it will be up to the men this year to provide the dash and color to brighten a landscape otherwise filled with drab little Dior H-shaped captives.

Subdued checks of nearly-but-not-quite the same shade as the background material gives the 1955-model suit a rich, pleasing and almost three-dimensional appearance. For the more daring, these suits come with severely tailored weskitis of hues ranging from pale rye, frozen tundra and sandshark grey to more vivid shades of aurora-borealis, sunspot gold and rage-red, with matching linings in suit coats.

For the most part, neckwear will supply a dark accent. The ever-popular hand-knit ties are ever-popular again this season and will be in evidence in solid blacks, navy and brown, charcoal and brown, brown on brown and other similar combinations. Moments of frivolity permit the wearing of the new wide plaid bow-tie with matching plaid cufflinks, but for the more frugal of the men, this should be considered as a transitory whimsey which will probably not endure beyond the current season.

The fashion dirge has also ended for masculine formal attire. No more must the high-style conscious man assume, for festive occasions, the funereal mien of the pallbearer. No more must he seem to be in mourning as he comes to his own wedding.

The nuptial reception will now be enhanced by a radiant groom in formal clothes of lighter weight than formerly—in midnight blue, dusk grey or, if the weather is clement, a pastel dinner jacket. He will wear a cummerbund or—even more fashionably—a cummervest (patterned after the girdles described by Romantic poets of old), complete with pockets designed to hold spare earrings, lipsticks, ladies' combs and compacts, etc. With the cummervest, he will display a matching formal bow tie. Rich-textured, brilliantly patterned Chinese designs will add to the luxuriousness of the pure silk shantung, brocades and lames of the tie-cummervest combination. The dark shade of his hat, with under-brim facing and lush red lining, will complete and compliment his costume.



MRS. ARTHUR E. BELLO (Herald Photo)

UPSIDE-DOWN CAKE TOP RECIPE OF MRS. A. E. BELLO

Mrs. Arthur E. Bello, wife of the rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, taught school for four years in the east upon her graduation from New York University in 1944. At the university she was given an honor scholarship in the Beta Pi chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, national educational honor fraternity during her junior year.

After coming to California with her husband, who had just completed his studies at the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, Mass., she stopped her teaching career to begin an even busier life as a minister's wife and a mother. She has three young sons, one of whom is in kindergarten at Fern Ave. School.

In her busy schedule Mrs. Bello turns to good quick recipes and gives her pineapple upside down cake as her favorite.

PINEAPPLE UPSIDE DOWN CAKE

Take an old iron frying pan (washed well in case you had bacon this morning). Melt ¼ to ½ cup of butter and add 1 cup brown sugar. Remove from heat and add nut meats if desired. Drain crushed pineapple slightly and spread over mixture.

Now the cake batter:

Measure and sift 1½ cups cake flour, 2/3 cup sugar, 1½ tsp. baking powder; 1/8 tsp. salt; 1/3 cup Crisco; ½ cup milk. Beat well and then add 1 egg and ½ tsp. vanilla, beating again. Pour over pineapple brown sugar mixture and bake in a 350-degree oven for 50 minutes or until the cake is brown.

Mrs. Jacobs is New Rebekah Head for Year

Trio Rebekah Lodge 240, amid Christmas decorations initiated into its order Mrs. Margaret Worrell, Mrs. Lucille Sloan and Misses Peggy Cooper and Patricia Rydstrom. Mrs. Maude Golden transferred into the chapter.

Elected to office for the ensuing year were Mrs. Robert Jacobs as noble grand, Mrs. Mitchell Vash, vice-grand; Mrs. John Fern, recording secretary; Mrs. Dorothy Rogers, financial secretary; Mrs. Ada Andersen, treasurer and Mrs. Cal Yerton as trustee for 18 months.

Trio took part in the area Good Fellowship program held at the Redondo Beach High School, Saturday Dec. 11. District 84 enacted the Gay Nineties recalling the "Good old days on the Bowery" with appropriate songs, with the Parisian can-can girls as an added attraction. Other skits were "At Saint Peter's Gate" by District 86; "Old Fashion Night Before Christmas" by District 71; Minature Minstrel, District 10; Dress Rehearsal, District 60; and Light Opera, District 80. The program opened with the good fellowship chairman singing "Side by Side" and closed with "May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You."

The Good Fellowship program through the presentation of the Aladdin Lamp between Districts 86 and 84 accumulated over \$325 for the modernization of the Children's Home at Gilroy.

Trio will hold its Christmas party Wednesday, Dec. 22 at the California Hall, 1932 Pacific Coast Hwy. beginning at 6:30 with a potluck supper. A program has been prepared. The Odd Fellows Lodge and the Theta Rho Girls have been invited to join with members of their families.



SHIRLEY BELCHER
... January Bride

More romantic holiday news was disclosed this week with the announcement of the engagement of Miss Shirley May Belcher and David Arville Huffstutler, Jr. and their plans for a Jan. 15 wedding which will take place at the First Lutheran church in Torrance with the Rev. Paul Wenske officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. C. Fawley of Long Beach and the late Pitts W. Belcher. She was graduated from Narbonne High school in 1950. While there she served as Girls' League president, Girls' League cheerleader and was a cabinet member. She is now employed at North American.

Mr. Huffstutler, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Huffstutler, Sr. of Los Angeles attended the Fremont High school. He is employed at the Longren Aircraft in Torrance.

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Recuperating Mrs. William E. Blair is recuperating at her home at 2521 Sonoma Ave., following recent surgery at the Torrance Memorial Hospital.



WINNING RIBBONS... for the care of the ir horses on their recent trek to Lazy J ranch are these Girl Scouts, from left Karen McTea, Carolea Mathlin, Sharon Ricci and Denise Hunter. The girls are members of Scout Troop 416, which spent a recent week-end at the ranch.

The Spirit of Christmas

In all the hustle-bustle of our happy Holiday preparations, let us never forget the true spirit of Christmas, so beautifully expressed in those carols of beloved memory. Let us dedicate ourselves to the ideal of which the Angel sang: "Peace on Earth, Good Will toward Men."

GAY SHOP -- Torrance

WHAT'S DOING

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SEASONS GREETINGS

Eagerly awaited by people from every land, the Christmas season is finally at hand. Signs of the wonderful occasion are everywhere—in the streets, in the homes, in the business houses, and wherever you happen to look. Christmas means many things. It is a time for serious religious observations and a time for giving to those less fortunate. It is a time for friendship and good feeling. It is time for the traditional, joyous exchange of gifts and the scene for happy family re-unions. In this later phase, we of Pacific Telephone like to think we play a small part but special part in cutting the miles to nothing between families and particularly in helping to bring joy to those who have members in the service of our armed forces. On behalf of our entire staff, we extend our best wishes for the holiday season. Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company

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